

REMARKS

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated May 17, 2007 in which the Examiner rejected claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and stated that claims 1 and 3-8 are allowed.

As indicated above, claim 2 has been canceled without prejudice. Therefore, applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraws the rejection to claim 2 and allows the claims to issue.

Thus it now appears that the application is in condition for reconsideration and allowance. Reconsideration and allowance at an early date are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner find that the application is not now in condition for allowance, applicants respectfully request the Examiner enters this Amendment for purposes of appeal.

If for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact, by telephone, the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed within the currently set shortened statutory period, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

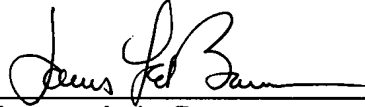
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Respectfully submitted,

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